

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Hisashi AMAYA et al.

Art Unit: not yet assigned

Application No.: to be assigned

Examiner: not yet assigned

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 12054-0024

For: MARTENSITIC STAINLESS STEEL

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 12, 2004

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.**

**Remarks are submitted on page 3.**